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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Michael J. Siwinski et al

A PRINTER AND METHOD THEREFOR
ADAPTED TO SENSE DATA
UNIQUELY ASSOCIATED WITH A
CONSUMABLE LOADED INTO THE
PRINTER

Continued Prosecution Application of
Serial No. 09/334,375

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2001, please
amend the above-identified application without prejudice as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims:

- A1 Sub B1*
1. (Amended) A printer of the type which selectively deposits a color marking material onto a receiver to form an image on the receiver, the printer being adapted to sense data uniquely associated with a consumable to be loaded into the printer, comprising:
- (a) a transceiver for transmitting a first electromagnetic field and for sensing a second electromagnetic field;
- (b) a transponder coupled to said consumable, said transponder adapted to receive the first electromagnetic field and generate the second electromagnetic field in response to the first electromagnetic field received thereby; and